in the country in accordance with the guidelines issued by International Civil Aviation Organization and on the basis of National Aviation Security Programme. The following measures have been taken, *inter alia*, to strengthen security at the airports in order to prevent hijackings and other unlawful interference with civil aviation opertions:

(i) Deployment of Central Industrial Security Force at all operational airports in a time-bound manner;

(ii) Deployment of Quick Reaction Teams at major airports;

(iii) Ladder-point security check of passengers and their hand-baggage made mandatory;

(iv) Strengthening of perimeter security;

(v) Stricter access control; and

(vi) Deployment of Sky Marshals on all routes of our scheduled airlines at random basis.

New Policy for FDI

486. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to announce a new policy to ramp up the value of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) by when the new policy is likely to be announced; and

(d) whether the new policy would adequately address the problems and difficulties faced by the foreign Government and act as a facilitator of foreign investment and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH): (a) to (c) The Foreign Direct Investment Policy is being reviewed on a continuous basis to make it more investor friendly. This is an ongoing process.

(d) The Foreign Investment Implementation Authority acts as the single point interface between foreign investors and various authorities/agencies to facilitate speedy implementation of projects with foreign investment.